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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No.	TREND-00102
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Title	A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR READING AND CONTROLLING UTILITY CONSUMPTION
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification [Total Pages 17]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 7]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 3]
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(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
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6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of (when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
13. Preliminary Amendment
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Fee Code (\$)	Fee	Small Entity	Fee Code (\$)	Fee	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	770	2001	385			Utility filing fee	385
1002	340	2002	170			Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265			Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385			Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80			Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$)		385			

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	13	-20** = 0	x 9 = 0.00
Independent Claims	2	-3** = 0	x 43 = 0.00
Multiple Dependent			

Large Entity	Fee Code (\$)	Fee	Small Entity	Fee Code (\$)	Fee	Fee Description
1202	18	2202	9			Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43			Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145			Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43			** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9			** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
SUBTOTAL (2)		(\$)		0.00		

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Fee Code (\$)	Fee	Small Entity	Fee Code (\$)	Fee	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051	65			Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25			Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130			Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520			For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*			Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*			Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55			Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252	210			Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253	475			Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254	740			Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	2255	1,005			Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401	165			Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165			Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145			Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510			Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55			Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665			Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665			Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240			Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503	320			Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130			Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50			Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180			Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40			Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	2809	385			Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385			For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801	385			Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900			Request for expedited examination of a design application	

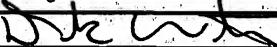
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